











# The Department for the Blind





provides job opportunities to individuals with visual disabilities to enable them to become more independent and productive in the community and workplace.



## Key Services for Job Seekers

-  Individualized rehabilitation services enabling individuals to attain employment. Services include vocational counseling and job placement assistance, such as resume development, job readiness skills, work experience opportunities and employer contacts.
-  Assistance in acquiring a technical or college education or updating work skills.
-  Orientation and mobility services to enable independent travel.
-  Instruction in independent living skills, including household and daily living skills.
-  Audio recordings of academic and vocational materials.
-  Provision of and training on assistive devices (e.g. computer technology, scanners, recorders) that can help individuals complete work tasks.
-  Self-employment opportunities through the Kentucky Business Enterprises Program, a vending and food services program.
-  Referral for employment to Kentucky Industries for the Blind Inc. for visually impaired or blind individuals.
-  Assessments, career exploration, GED/adult education services and rehabilitation services at the McDowell Center.
-  Information about and referrals for assistive technology services and devices provided through the Kentucky Assistive Technology Service network (KATS).

## Key Services for Employers

-  Job bank listing skilled individuals.
-  Job retention services for employees who may be losing their vision.
-  Assistance in job modification and reengineering.
-  Job analyses, job coaching and reimbursement for on-the-job training, as well as comprehensive follow-up services to ensure successful employment.

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